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Re: U. S. Utility Patent Application Serial No. 09/931,643
Docket No. 13071BAUS02U
Entitled: OPTICAL SWITCH ROUTER
Applicant: Bruce A. Schofield et al.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for submission is an Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449, including seven (7) references, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of the foregoing by returning the enclosed self-addressed postcard.

Sincerely,

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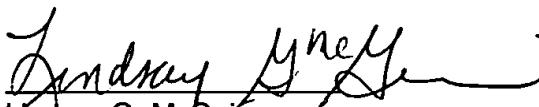
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed information are also enclosed.

The documents listed in this Information Disclosure Statement were first cited in a PCT International Search Report in a counterpart application and this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of that Report.

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Respectfully submitted,


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